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PATENT
Attorney Docket No.: 02307W-131010US
Client Ref. No.: UC No. 2003-033-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HAMMOCK et al.

Application No.: 10/817,334

Filed: April 2, 2004

For: IMPROVED INHIBITORS FOR
THE SOLUBLE EPOXIDE
HYDROLASE

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1147

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 29, 2005.

Applicant submits a Petition for Extension of Time to the present date, with payment of the appropriate fees. Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this paper.